

Instructions to Miners.

While business in mining has been dull in Arizona for two years past, still many mines have been located during that time and new veins are frequently found. Miners are preparing to obtain titles to mines, and it is very important that the first steps taken should be correct, or all subsequent labor and expense on the mine may be lost. Although the MINER has previously published the regulations of the Commissioner concerning the proper course for miners to pursue in making locations, etc., we again urge them to be sure that they make no mistakes. The Act of May 10, 1872, gives large privileges to miners, but the conditions of the law must be complied with. The following, published in the Arizona Citizen, by John Watson, Surveyor General of the Territory, is official in its character and worthy of the careful attention of miners:

From and after the date of said act, any person who is a citizen of the United States, or who has declared his intention to become a citizen, may locate, record and hold a mining claim of fifteen hundred linear feet along the course of any mineral vein or lode subject to location, or an association of persons, severally qualified as above, may make joint location of such claim of fifteen hundred feet, but in no event can a location of a vein or lode made subsequent to the act exceed fifteen hundred feet along the course thereof, whatever may be the number of persons composing the association.

With regard to the extent of surface ground adjoining a vein or lode, claimed for the convenient working thereof, the act provides that the surface ground of locations or veins or lodes made after its passage shall in no case exceed three hundred feet on each side of the middle of the vein at the surface, and that no such surface rights shall be limited by any mining regulations to less than twenty-five feet on each side of the middle of the vein at the surface, except when adverse rights existing at the date of said act may render such limitation necessary, the end lines of such claims to be in all cases parallel to each other.

By the foregoing it will be perceived that no lode-claim located after the date of said act can exceed a parallelogram fifteen hundred feet in length by six hundred feet in width, but whether surface ground of that width can be taken, depends upon the local regulations or State or Territorial laws in force in the several mining districts; and that no such local regulations or State or Territorial laws shall limit a vein or lode claim to less than fifteen hundred feet along the course thereof, whether the location is made by one or more persons, nor can surface rights be limited to less than fifty feet in width, unless adverse claims existing on the 10th day of May, 1872, render such lateral limitations necessary.

It is provided in said act that the miners of each district may make rules and regulations not in conflict with the laws of the United States, or of the State or Territory in which such districts are respectively situated, governing the location, manner of recording, and amount of work necessary to hold possession of a claim. It likewise requires that the location must be so distinctly marked on the ground that its boundaries may be readily traced. This is a very important matter, and locators cannot exercise too much care in defining their locations at the outset, inasmuch as the law requires that all records of mining locations made subsequent to its passage, shall contain the name or names of the locators, the date of the location, and such a description of the claim or claims located, by reference to some natural object or permanent monument, as will identify the claim.

The same act requires that no lode-claim can be recorded until after the discovery of a vein or lode within the limits of the ground claimed; the object of which provision is evidently to prevent the encumbering of the district mining records with useless locations before sufficient work has been done thereon to determine whether a vein or lode has really been discovered or not.

The claimant should therefore, prior to recording his claim, unless the vein can be traced on the surface, sink a shaft, or run a tunnel or drift, to a sufficient depth therein to discover and develop a mineral-bearing vein, lode, or crevice; should determine if possible, the general course of such vein in either direction from the point of discovery, by which direction he will be governed in marking the boundaries of his claim on the surface, and should give the course and distance as nearly as practicable from discovery shaft on the claim, to some permanent, well-known point or object, such, for instance, as stone monuments, blazed trees, the confluence of streams, point of intersection of well-known gulches, ravines, or roads, prominent buttes, hills, etc., which may be in the immediate vicinity, and which will serve to perpetuate and fix the locus of the claim and render it susceptible of identification from the description thereof given in the record of locations in the district.

In addition to the foregoing data, the claimant should state the names of adjoining claims, or if none, the relative positions of the nearest claims; should drive a post or erect a monument of stones at each corner of his surface ground, and at the point of discovery shaft, should fix a post, stake or board upon which should be designated the name of the lode the name or names of the locators, the number of feet claimed, and in what direction from the point of discovery; it being essential that the location notice filed for record, in addition to the foregoing description, should state whether the entire claim of fifteen hundred feet is taken on one side of the point of discovery, or whether it is partly upon the other side thereof, and in the latter case, how many feet are claimed on each side of such discovery point.

Within a reasonable time, say twenty days after the location shall have been marked on the ground, notice thereof, accurately describing the claim in manner aforesaid, should be filed for record with the proper recorder of the district, who will thereupon issue the usual certificate of location.

In order to hold the possessory right to a claim of fifteen hundred feet of vein or lode located as aforesaid, the act requires that until a patent shall have been issued therefor, not less than one hundred dollars' worth of labor shall be performed or improvements made thereon during each year, in default of which the claim will be subject to relocation by any other party having the necessary qualifications, unless the original locator, his heirs, assigns, or legal representatives, have resumed work thereon after such failure and before such location.

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